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said committee shall be deemed null and void, except as to acts done in reliance thereon or in compliance therewith prior to such disapproval by the Secretary.

§ 946.73 Duration of immunities.

The benefits, privileges, and immunities conferred upon any person by virtue of this subpart shall cease upon the termination of this subpart, except, with respect to acts done under and during the existence of this subpart.

§ 946.74 Agents.

The Secretary may, by designation in writing, name any person, including any officer or employee of the Government or name any bureau or division in the United States Department of Agriculture, to act as his agent or representative in connection with any of the provisions of this subpart.

§ 946.75 Derogation.

Nothing contained in this subpart is, or shall be construed to be, in derogation or in modification of the rights of the Secretary or of the United States to exercise any powers granted by the act or otherwise, or, in accordance with such powers, to act in the premises whenever such action is deemed advisable.

§ 946.76 Personal liability.

No member or alternate of the committee, nor any employee or agent thereof, shall be held personally responsible, either individually or jointly with others, in any way whatsoever, to any handler or to any person for errors in judgment, mistakes, or other acts, either of commission or omission, as such member, alternate, or employee, except for acts of dishonesty.

§ 946.77 Separability.

If any provision of this subpart is declared invalid, or the applicability thereof to any person, circumstance, or thing is held invalid, the validity of the remainder of this subpart, or the applicability thereof, to any other person, circumstance, or thing, shall not be affected thereby.

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§ 946.78 Amendments.

Amendments to this subpart may be proposed, from time to time, by the committee or by the Secretary.

Subpart—Rules and Regulations

DEFINITIONS

§ 946.100 Order.

Order means Order No. 946 (§§ 946.1 to 946.78), as amended, regulating the handling of Irish potatoes grown in the State of Washington.

[39 FR 1971, Jan. 16, 1974]

§ 946.101 Marketing agreement.

Marketing agreement means Marketing Agreement No. 113, as amended.

[39 FR 1972, Jan. 16, 1974]

§ 946.102 Terms.

Terms used in this subpart shall have the same meaning as set forth in said marketing agreement and order.

[22 FR 8177, Oct. 16, 1957. Redesignated at 26 FR 12751, Dec. 30, 1961]

§ 946.103 Reestablishment of districts.

Pursuant to § 946.22, on and after July 1, 2007, the following districts are reestablished:

(a) District No. 1—the counties of Douglas, Chelan, Okanogan, Grant, Adams, Ferry, Stevens, Pend Oreille, Spokane, Whitman, and Lincoln.

(b) District No. 2—the counties of Kittitas, Yakima, Klickitat, Benton, Franklin, Walla Walla, Columbia, Garfield, and Asotin.

(c) District No. 3—all of the remaining counties in the State of Washington, not included in Districts No. 1 and No. 2 of this paragraph.

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§ 946.104 Reestablishment and reapportionment of committee.

(a) Pursuant to § 946.22, on and after July 1, 2007, the State of Washington Potato Committee consisting of nine members, of whom six shall be producers and three shall be handlers, is hereby reestablished. For each member of the committee there shall be an alternate who shall have the same qualifications as the member.

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(b) Pursuant to §946.22, on and after July 1, 2007, membership representation of the State of Washington Potato Committee shall be reapportioned among the districts of the production area so as to provide that each of the three districts as defined in §946.103 are represented by two producer members and one handler member and their respective alternates.

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SPECIAL PURPOSE CERTIFICATES

§ 946.120 Application.

(a) Whenever shipments for special purposes pursuant to §946.54 are relieved in whole or in part from regulations issued under §946.52, each handler desiring to make shipments of potatoes for the following purposes shall submit an application to the committee, prior to initiating such shipments, for a special purpose certificate permitting such shipments:

(1) Charity: *Provided*, That handlers making shipments for charity of 1,000 pounds or less are exempt from these application requirements;

(2) Prepeeling;

(3) Canning, freezing, and “other processing”;

(4) Grading or storing at any specified location in Morrow or Umatilla Counties in the State of Oregon; and

(5) Experimentation.

(b) Applications for special purpose shipment certificates shall be made on forms furnished by the committee. Such application shall contain the name and address of the handler, and such other information that the committee may require such as the estimated amount of potatoes to be shipped, the grades and sizes of potatoes to be shipped (when applicable), expected consignees and destinations, certification by applicant that statements are correct and that he will comply with disposition stated therein, and other information or documents as the committee may require in safeguarding against entry of such potatoes into trade channels other than those for which the special purpose certificate was granted.

[39 FR 1972, Jan. 16, 1974, as amended at 65 FR 70463, Nov. 24, 2000; 70 FR 44256, Aug. 2, 2005]

§ 946.121 Issuance.

The committee, or its duly authorized agents, shall give prompt consideration to each applicant for a special purpose certificate. Upon approval of the application, a special purpose certificate shall be issued authorizing the applicant named therein to ship potatoes for a specified purpose for a specified period of time.

[39 FR 1972, Jan. 16, 1974]

§ 946.122 Reports.

Each handler shipping potatoes under and pursuant to a special purpose certificate shall supply to the committee, upon request, a report thereon showing the name and address of the shipper, car or truck number, Federal-State Inspection Certificate number (if such inspection is required by regulations in effect at the time of such shipment), loading point, destination and consignee.

[39 FR 1972, Jan. 16, 1974]

§ 946.123 Denial and appeals.

The committee may rescind a special purpose certificate issued to a handler for the purpose specified in §946.120(a), or deny such special purpose certificates to a handler, upon proof satisfactory to the committee that such handler has shipped potatoes contrary to those provisions. Such committee action denying or rescinding a special purpose certificate shall apply to and not exceed a reasonable period of time as determined by the committee. Any handler who has been denied a special purpose certificate or who has had a special purpose certificate rescinded may appeal to the committee for reconsideration. Such appeal shall be in writing.

[39 FR 1972, Jan. 16, 1974]

MODIFICATION OF INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS

§ 946.130 Application.

Any handler whose packing facilities are located in an area where a Washington State Department of Agriculture, Plant Industry Division Office or Federal-State Inspector is not readily available to perform the inspection